

PROSPECTS OF SOLUTION VANISHING

Railway Presidents Divided Among Them-
selves as to Adoption of Proposed
Eight Hour Day

CASTING ABOUT FOR SALVE FOR WOUNDS

Wilson Paves Way for Immediate Hearings
of Increased Rates in Case of
Eight Hour Day

By United Press.
Washington, August 23.—Following hours of discussion between President Wilson and Chairman Newlands Adams of the senate and house interstate commerce committees, it is known that President Wilson urged immediate action in the senate on the bill which was passed by the house providing for increased membership of the interstate commerce commission. It is believed that this action was based on a desire to afford the most rapid hearings possible on requests for increased rates which are anticipated in the event the railroad precede to the president's plan for an eight hour day.

No Conclusion Reached.

By United Press.
Washington, August 23.—The sixty railway presidents who are here in connection with the efforts of President Wilson to avert a nation-wide tie-up, have found no solution to the situation which President Wilson called them here to solve. They are divided among themselves and are unable to agree on a proposition that might soften the effect of the president's plan for averting the great strike.

GRADY CO. WOMEN IN SESSION

Over fifty members of rural clubs and farm women of Grady county are in attendance at the city hall this afternoon at a meeting which was called for the purpose of organizing a county club to affiliate with the International Congress of Farm Women.

WILL RUSH MEET.

By United Press.
Washington, August 23.—The state department today indicated that meetings of the joint commission would begin as soon as the Mexican members reach the United States.

WEATHER FORECAST.

For Oklahoma.
Tonight and Thursday, fair.
Local Temperature.
During 24 hours ending 5
p. m. today:
Maximum, 97; minimum, 67.

CITY BUDGET OPPOSED BY BOARD

Must Be Slashed to Amount of \$8,000
to Come Within Legal Six Mill
Levy Limit

COUNTY LEVY IS 4.65 MILLS

Liberal Appropriation Allowed to Chickasha School District for Coming Year by Board

The mayor and city aldermen are revising the financial budget which was calculated to meet the needs of the new fiscal year, for the excise board, at its session yesterday afternoon, ordered that the estimate be cut to the extent of \$8,000 in order to come under the six mill limit. What departments will suffer will be made known as soon as the city officials have concluded their labors.

The excise board at the same session placed the county levy for the present year at 4.65 mills. All of the township estimates were completed yesterday afternoon and about half of the school districts will be attended to today, it is estimated.

The budget for school district No. 1, that of Chickasha, was approved by the board. There will be raised by levy \$44,587.36 and for the sinking fund \$30,736.94 which will mean a levy of 8.8 mills on a valuation of \$8,174,350. This levy, which is higher than the usual assessment for this purpose, will cover the funds required for the \$70,000 school bond issue and for salaries for additional teachers.

A few towns will have to make additional levies to meet their requirements and Minco must vote an additional six mills for her needs. A limited number of school districts will have to vote on the question of an extra levy or reduce their estimates.

GET \$1,200 PAVING COIN TWO DAYS

Seven Days Remain in Which to Settle
Paving and Grading Taxes Without
Imposition of Penalty

Paving tax payers in Chickasha are rushing payments in order to avoid the payment of the eighteen per cent penalty due on September 1 and City Clerk Reynolds has collected \$1,200 in the past two days. Only seven more working days are now available in which to make the payments without penalties and the city clerk and City Treasurer Clark are taking turns about remaining in the office during the noon hour. Some of the penalties already accrued are large in cases where tax payers have let the matter drag for two or three years.

LUNCHEON FOR OZARK TRAILERS

Soon after the party of Ozark Trail promoters from Oklahoma City reach Chickasha next Friday they will find an inviting luncheon awaiting them and also a large number of citizens to bid them welcome and join in the greatest of road matters that will follow the feed.

Even before they arrive here they will be impressed with the idea that the Chickasha people are glad to see them. According to plans that were made at a meeting last night at the Commercial and Farm Bureau building, a reception committee in autos

will go to Verdun to meet the visitors, pilot them over the dustless highway to this city and through the mazes of suburbs to their destination. It is hoped that all will find it convenient to go will make the trip to Verdun. The returning party will be due here at 10 a. m.

A cafeteria luncheon will be served promptly at the noon hour in the Dwyer building, corner Fourth and Chickasha avenue by the Methodist Home Mission Society, under the auspices of the Men's Dinner club. Dr. Thrallkill and J. J. Merrill are in charge of the arrangements. Everybody will be welcome at the feed, each individual contributing toward paying the expense of the occasion. The ladies promise a splendid menu. The visitors will remain here till 2 p. m. and there will be a general discussion of matters pertaining to their mission.

LOOK OUT FOR MAN WITH FORD

Car With Broken Right Fender in Front
Stolen in Oklahoma City and
Headed This Way

If you are approached by an out-tongued stranger who wants to tell you of the virtues of a Ford car bearing a license tag showing the number to be Ark. 123292, you want to be on your guard. Such a car was stolen at Oklahoma City last night from S. B. Rogers and Desk Sergeant Looney at police headquarters was phoned immediately after that the man who took it was headed toward Chickasha. In case "License applied for" takes the place of the regular tag the car may be further identified as having motor number 1,239,257, and carrying two tool boxes with the right fender bent on the front end.

SAVES U. S. COTTON PLANTERS

Great Britain by Placing \$250,000,000
at Disposal of American Planters
Held Price Up to 8 1-2 Cents

By United Press.
London, August 23.—(By mail.)—That the British government decided not to let American cotton go below 8 1/2 cents a pound to planters; that it prepared to spend 250 million to prevent a possible cotton panic in America and that it sent agents to the United States to buy cotton in unlimited quantities to keep the price normal; and also that these agents are still in the United States, are facts given to the United Press today.

The British government, when it decided in 1915 to make cotton contraband realized that it might cause a panic in the United States. Felix Rose, who directed the British plan to prevent this, told today how he did it. "We had to declare cotton contraband," said he, "but we wanted to protect the cotton planters. We knew the speculators would make capital of the order in council and drive cotton prices to ruinous depths."

"So the British government decided to go into the market as a buyer. I looked over the market and decided we should be ready to buy 5 million bales; and we had to have 250 million dollars at our disposal constantly."

"We thought the planter should not get less than 8 1/2 cents, so we sent agents to the United States with unlimited authority to buy. That was in July of 1915. We told the American government of our plan. On August 18th the king signed the order in council declaring cotton contraband."

"No panic followed. What we had done was not generally known and the strength of cotton in the open market must have been a mystery to the speculators. In the first week cotton went up a cent. Within a month it was up 2 1/2 cents. So the planters received \$90,000,000 more for the crop that year than they would have received in normal times."

"Is the British government ready

BATTLE OF NATIONS ON BALKAN FRONT

Armies of Ten Countries Developing One
of Bloodiest Engagements to Be
Fought in Great War

SIX ALLIED POWERS OPPOSE TEUTONS

Many Italian-Americans Engaged in the
Capture of Goritz and Italian King is
Constantly at Front

By United Press.
London, August 23.—A great battle of nations is developing in the Balkans as the fighting along a hundred and fifty mile front increases. The Austrians will be asked to send a few detachments to the Greek border to join the Germans, Bulgars and Turks, who are realising the British, French, Russians, Italians, Serbians and Montenegrins. In no engagement in modern history have the armies of so many nations been engaged in a clash along one front. Forced to yield their advanced positions under the first Bulgarian attack, the allies reinforced their lines and are now strongly on the offensive in the Vardar valley northwest of Salonika.

Italian-Americans Engaged.

With the Italian Army at Goritz. Aug. 23.—Several thousand Italian-Americans were in the army that entered Goritz and are now storming the Austrian defenses south and east of the captured city. Many of them were killed and wounded. Upon entering Goritz the United Press correspondent met several including two former New York street car men who are now with the armored auto squadron. King Victor Emanuel is constantly at the front encouraging his troops. He is in Goritz when the city was bombarded by Austrians from Montemarco.

Deutschland Missing.

By United Press.
Berlin, August 23.—No news has been received from the Deutschland, which is now five days overdue.

Cut into French Lines.

By United Press.
Paris, August 23.—The Germans today penetrated the French lines near Estrees.

BENSON TO STUMP IN OKLAHOMA

Socialist Nominee for President Comes on
Socialists' Belief that They Can
Carry State

By United Press.
New York, August 23.—The socialists planned today to carry the presidential fight into practically every home in the United States through the circulation of 20,000,000 leaflets weekly. Allen Benson, the nominee of the Socialist party, starts on a tour of the western states on October 1 and plans to spend a week in Oklahoma where the Socialists believe they have a chance to carry the state.

to follow with the same action for the 1916 crop?" was asked.

"It looks as if the 1916 crop would be able to sell itself without British aid," said Rose. Rose, an English subject, has been in the cotton business all his life. He added in conclusion that every bale of cotton that has been seized by the British has been paid for and no shipper has lost money except possibly on cotton for which he would have received an exorbitant profit if he had gotten it to Germany instead of its being seized by the British. Every bale seized, he said, has been sold to spinners in England and not a single bale remains in storage.

DON'T HITCH TOO NEAR FIRE PLUGS

Another Phase of Traffic Regulations
Which Will Soon Be Taken Up by
Motorcycle Cop and Police Force

Two Western Union delivery boys felt the heavy hand of the law yesterday afternoon when they were jerked up by Sammy Dwyer for holding on to motorcycles while mounted on their bicycles in the delivery of telegrams. This is a pastime enjoyed by many boys on wheels and the messengers did not realize that they had committed an infringement of the traffic laws while engaging in it. They learned differently, however, and pleaded guilty at yesterday afternoon's session of the police court. This is a dangerous practice, the officers assert, and must be discontinued or other boys will be treated in the same manner. Mayor Coffman did not assess fines against the boys yesterday but will give his decision in the cases today.

The fact that Miss Martha Bledsoe "jay drove" in order to stop at the meat market of Councilman Neal, one of the men who gave Sammy his job, was politely informed that she had unconsciously committed a violation of the law. She paid \$5.

Matt Chilton, who was arrested by Dwyer for jay driving at the corner of Sixth and Chickaw, was fined \$5 yesterday afternoon.

City Officer Warned.

The matter of hitching too near a fire plug or a mail box is receiving the attention of the officers now and the first man to be warned was Water Commissioner Frank Schmeigler, who made haste to remove his steel 122 required distance from the fire plug near which he had been accustomed to stopping in front of his office at the city hall.

Less Speeding Now.

A noticeable decrease in the number of speeders is reflected in the very few speeding cases which have come up before the court. Most of the offenders thus far have violated portions of the ordinance with the provisions of which they were not familiar, and were, in a sense, innocent offenders. A glance at the locations of the arrests shows that Officer Dwyer's sphere of activity has no bounds within the city limits and the fact that he cannot be distinguished from any other riders of motor wheels comrades in a good cause, as no driver will take a chance on speeding when the small handlight of a two-wheeled machine hovers in sight.

Autoists Are Reconciled.

"When we first began to make arrests for violations of the ordinance some of the people were disposed to hawl us out," said Chief of Police Ben Phillips this morning. "But now it is a different story. The people are already seeing the beneficial effect of the work and are falling in line. I heard one prominent man warning a friend last night, and he was laughing when he did it. 'Look out for Sammy' he said. 'He got me and he'll get you, too, if he sees you.'"

"The autoists themselves are beginning to like it. When the traffic rules are fully enforced it will make it so much better for everybody that they will wonder why it has not been done before."

Chief Phillips declares that the campaign against these violations will be kept up until the abuses are entirely discontinued.

The two Western Union messenger boys were fined \$2.50 each for holding on to motorcycles, but later offenders are likely to be more harshly dealt with.

Jack Taylor was arrested today for disturbing the peace and Tom Hiri for loitering.

ARMY BILL PASSES.

By United Press.
Washington, August 23.—The army appropriation bill for \$267,500,520.30, which pays for an increased land force, passed the senate today.

JAIL BREAK AVERTED BY CASTLEMAN

Deputy Sheriff Finds Bar Sawed and Filings
on Window Sill Adjoining
Broken Frame

THREE SAWS FOUND IN MEXICAN'S CELL

Francisco Herrera, Alleged Murderer, Has
Been in Ill Humor Ever Since
Discovery of Plot

Another county jail delivery has been averted and this by the eagle eye of Deputy Sheriff Bob Castleman who, in passing the second window on the north side of the prison happened to notice a small heap of steel filings on the sill. An investigation is under way but nothing more has been developed than the discovery of three saws in the cell occupied exclusively by Francisco Herrera, the Mexican who is charged with the recent killing of Blas Lopez on Two street.

Deputy Castleman, while showing a friend how the former escape was made and how the screen in the east window had been cemented to prevent the inmates from crawling through the opening caused by the absence of the sawed bar, glanced at the adjoining window and noticed the filings. Investigation showed that the top of one bar had been completely cut and the screen at the other end had been sawed in two and a slight impression made on the lower end of the bar. A careful search of all the prisoners was made, including their clothing and shoes, but nothing beyond the three saws which were found in the Mexican's cell was discovered.

"The Mexican has been sulky and very uncommunicative ever since the discovery," said Deputy Castleman to an Express representative today. "He will have nothing to say to anybody."

STRINGFIELD FINED \$10 IN COURT

Case of Officer Who Accidentally Shot
Art Neal Will Be Finally Disposed
of by Council Tomorrow Night

Ex-officer Stringfield, who was suspended from the force on Monday night by Chief Phillips in connection with the accidental shooting in the leg of Art Neal on Monday morning, did not appear before Mayor Coffman in the police court yesterday afternoon to answer to the charge of drunkenness and was fined \$10. The matter of reinstatement, continued suspension or dismissal from the force will come up for definite action before the city council at its regular session tomorrow night.

BOYCOTT MORGAN S. S. LINE

By United Press.
Galveston, August 23.—All railroads entering Galveston announced today that they would accept no freight destined for movement by the Morgan Steamship company. This is believed to be a retaliatory measure because of that line's embargo against the railroads.

A modified embargo is also declared against the Mallory line.

C. E. Marshall, owner of the Royal hotel, arrived in Chickasha today from Gainesville, Texas, to meet the insurance adjusters.

OCTOBER 18 RALLY DAY FOR DEMO'S

Big County Wide Party Demonstration is
Planned by Convention; Orators of
National Note are Expected

DELAY ORGANIZING CEN. COMMITTEE

Defects in Call and Small Attendance to
Result in Another Meeting Sept. 4;
"Love Feast" Held

A county rally, with orators of statewide and national reputation, will be held in Chickasha on Wednesday, October 18, according to action taken by the Democratic convention at the court house in this city Tuesday afternoon. Committees on speakers and arrangements were appointed with instructions to "get busy" at once. The committee on arrangements is composed of B. B. Barefoot, Frank Pinto, O. Coffman, J. F. Dillon and J. F. Hinchop while the speakers' committee consists of Alger Melton, T. J. O'Neil and S. M. Williams.

Preceding the opening of the convention, a meeting of the Democratic County Central committee was held for the purpose of reorganizing the same but owing to the small attendance of committeemen and some defects in the call, on motion of Judge Frank M. Bailey it was decided to postpone such action until another meeting, which will be held on the first Monday in September.

Wickizer Takes Chair.

L. C. Hutson, chairman of the county committee, called the convention to order, stating the object was to make some plans for the campaign. B. B. Barefoot moved that the usual rules be suspended and that all Democrats present be recognized as delegates, the motion being carried. Alger Melton nominated A. E. Wickizer, superintendent of schools at Anadarko, for chairman and he was elected by acclamation. In a similar manner W. W. Clark was elected secretary.

Must Present Facts.

On taking the chair, Mr. Wickizer thanked the delegates for the honor conferred upon him, adding a few appropriate remarks relative to the work before the Democrats of the county. "We are confronted by some serious propositions," said he. "First, the constructive work which the Democratic party has done nationally must be placed before the people and interpreted. If this is done properly we need have no doubt concerning the outcome of the November election. Second, we must perfect our local organizations in such a way that a thorough educational campaign can be conducted. These are the main matters which must occupy our attention at the present time."

A "Booster" Committee.

In addition to making preliminary plans for a county rally, the convention also instructed all the precinct committeemen to work as a "booster" committee in getting Grady county Democrats to go to the state rally that will be held in Oklahoma City some time during the state fair. Alger Melton, chairman of the state committee, stated that efforts were being made to get President Wilson to attend this rally but in the event of his inability to come some speaker of national prominence would be secured.

Local Spell-binders.

Following a full discussion of plans for the proposed rally, the convention resolved itself into a kind of Democratic "love-feast" when B. B. Barefoot made a motion that Col. T. J. O'Neil be invited to deliver a "big Democratic speech." The crowd heartily accepted the suggestion and the colonel spoke for some fifteen minutes, arousing a high degree of enthusiasm, and he was followed by Judge Grigsby, Judge Bailey, Bert Barefoot, Alger Melton, Oscar Simpson, T. M. Kelly and others, all of whom provoked plentiful applause.

Explain Constructive Work.

In the course of his speech, Col. O'Neil said, "We have an important campaign ahead of us. We have the merits of the argument on our side and we can win but much needs to be done to get the constructive work of

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